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Dear Mr. Malone,

European Patent Application No. 90 305 993.9
Philip Morris Products Inc.
Your Ref: PM 1357 - Our File: 31356

Thank you for your letter of 15th December 1992. I have now responded to the outstanding Examiner's report; a copy of my response is enclosed, together with copies of the new pages filed.

You will see that I have amended the claims as you instructed, by specifying that the wrapper is a two layer wrapper, the outer layer having the characteristics of previous claim 1 and the inner layer having the characteristics of previous claim 12. Corresponding amendments to the remaining claims have been made. The revised wording of the claims, which specifies that the wrapper comprises two layers, allowed me to claim a cigarette using the wrapper of the invention in a single claim, new claim 17.

I have made amendments to the description consequent upon the amendments made to the claims, and I have acknowledged the three prior art documents as required by the Examiner.

I see no reason now why the Examiner should not allow the application, and hope to be reporting the advance notice of allowance to you in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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